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2005 COUNTY EXECUTIVE AWARD WINNERS ANNOUNCED

WAUKESHA – Acting County Executive James T. Dwyer is pleased to announce the 2005 County Executive Award winners for the excellence that they demonstrate as a successful organization in the community:

Ruekert/Mielke, Inc. Business of the Year

Ranch Community Services

Large Non-Profit of the Year
(annual operating budget of \$500,001 or more)

Interfaith Caregiving Network, Inc.

Small Non-Profit of the Year

(annual operating budget of \$500,000 or less)

Waukesha Metro Transit Government Agency of the Year

An independent panel of judges, which includes business executives, community leaders and past award winners, select award recipients each year. Due to the number of exceptional award applications that were received in 2005, these volunteers decided to provide these organizations with special recognition by providing them with "honorable mention" status: M.A. Mortenson Company (Business of the Year entry), Boy Scouts of America – Potawatomi Area Council and the YMCA at Pabst Farms (Large Non-Profit of the Year entries), and Adaptive Community Approach Program, Inc. (Small Non-Profit of the Year entry).

The winners will be honored at the Tenth County Executive Awards Luncheon at the Country Springs, Waukesha, on Friday, October 21. Registration will start at 11:30 a.m., followed by lunch at 12 p.m. Dr. Kevin P. Reilly, President of the University of Wisconsin System, will be the distinguished keynote speaker.

Reservations for the luncheon are available at \$35.00 per person, and corporate tables of 10 are available for \$350.00. For further information or to make reservations, contact Shirlene Hazelberg at 548-7902.